

# JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE

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WQC Application Number  
WQC 15116-02

Interested parties are hereby notified that a permit application has been received by the New Orleans District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers pursuant to: [ ] Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151; 33 USC 403); and/or [X] Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (86 Stat. 816; 33 USC 1344).

Application has also been made to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services, for a Water Quality Certification (WQC) in accordance with statutory authority contained in LRS30:2074 A(3), and provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (P.L.95-17).

## EXCAVATE AND FILL FOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS IN BUXTON CREEK IN DEQUINCY, LOUISIANA IN CALCASIEU PARISH

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** City of DeQuincy, c/o Arabie Environmental Solutions, Attn: Blaine Johnson, Post Office Box 928, Lake Charles, Louisiana 70602.

**LOCATION OF WORK:** Located within Buxton Creek, in Section 13, Township 7 South, Range 11 West, in DeQuincy, Louisiana, in Calcasieu Parish, as shown on the enclosed drawings (Latitude 30.4567 N Longitude -93.44184 W). This project is located in USGS Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) 08080205-Lower Mississippi HUC.

**CHARACTER OF WORK:** The applicant is proposing to improve the alignment and install and maintain concrete pavement for drainage improvements. The proposed work section is an unpaved gap between upstream and downstream paved sections. Approximately 10,000 cubic yards of earthen material will be excavated from the channel banks. In addition to this material approximately 1,500 cubic yards of concrete and stone bedding will be deposited for the realignment of the channel. All work will be performed from the adjacent banks of the channel and will impact approximately 1.3 acres of jurisdictional waters of the US. No wetland impacts are proposed and therefore no compensatory mitigation is proposed. Best management practices will be implemented during construction activities to reduce runoff and potential water quality impacts as shown on the attached permit drawings.

The comment period for the Department of the Army Permit and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality WQC will close **20 days** from the date of this joint public notice. Written comments, including suggestions for modifications or objections to the proposed work, stating reasons thereof, are being solicited from anyone having interest in this

permit and/or this WQC request and must be mailed so as to be received before or by the last day of the comment period. Letters concerning the Corps of Engineers permit application must reference the applicant's name and the Permit Application Number, and be mailed to the Corps of Engineers at the address above, **ATTENTION: REGULATORY BRANCH**. Individuals or parties may request an extension of time in which to comment on the proposed work by writing to the project manager or clicking on the project manager's name on the public notice grid on the web page. Any request must be specific and substantively supportive of the requested extension, and received by this office prior to the end of the initial comment period. The Section Chief will review the request and the requestor will be promptly notified of the decision to grant or deny the request. If granted, the time extension will be continuous to the initial comment period and, inclusive of the initial comment period, will not exceed a total of 30 calendar days. Letters concerning the Water Quality Certification must reference the applicant's name and the WQC Application number and be mailed to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality at the address above.

The application for this proposed project is on file with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality and may be examined during weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Copies may be obtained upon payment of costs of reproduction.

### **Corps of Engineers Permit Criteria**

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public, federal, state, and local agencies and officials, Indian Tribes, and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to determine whether to make, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The New Orleans District is unaware of properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places near the proposed work. The possibility exists that the proposed work may damage or destroy presently unknown archeological, scientific, prehistorical, historical sites, or data. Issuance of this public notice solicits input from the State Archeologist and State Historic Preservation Officer regarding potential impacts to cultural resources.

Our initial finding is that the proposed work would neither affect any species listed as endangered by the U.S. Departments of Interior or Commerce, nor affect any habitat designated as critical to the survival and recovery of any endangered species. Utilizing Standard Local Operating Procedure for Endangered Species in Louisiana (SLOPES), dated

October 22, 2014, between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Office, the Corps has determined that the proposed activity would have no effect on any listed species.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The applicant's proposal would result in the destruction or alteration of NA acres of EFH utilized by various life stages of red drum and penaeid shrimp. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial adverse impact on EFH or federally managed fisheries in the Gulf of Mexico. Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the National Marine Fisheries Service.

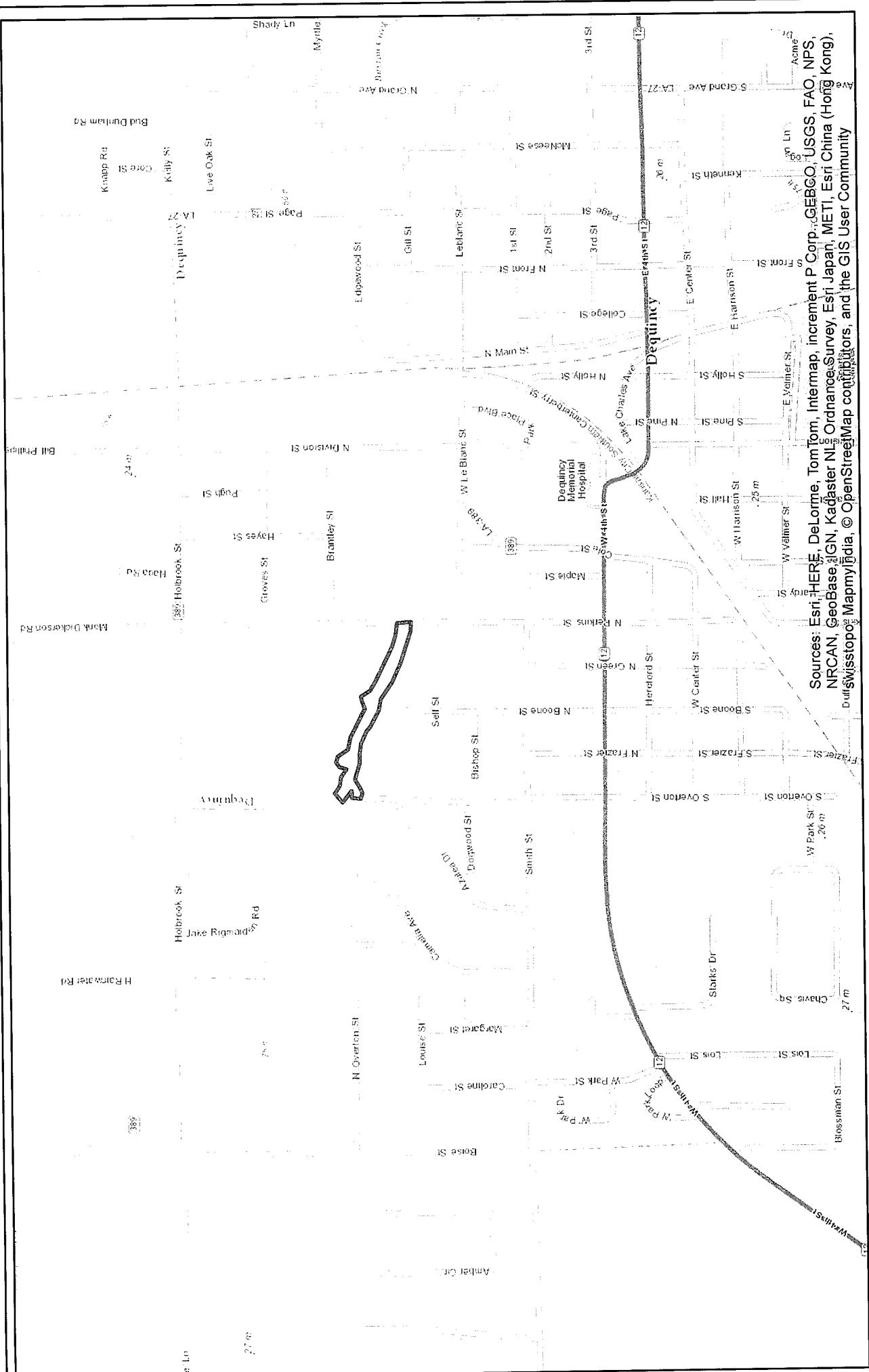
If the proposed work involves deposits of dredged or fill material into navigable waters, the evaluation of the probable impacts will include the application of guidelines established by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Also, a certification that the proposed activity will not violate applicable water quality standards will be required from the Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services, before a permit is issued.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

You are requested to communicate the information contained in this notice to any other parties whom you deem likely to have interest in the matter.

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Chief, Western Evaluation Section  
Regulatory Branch

Enclosure

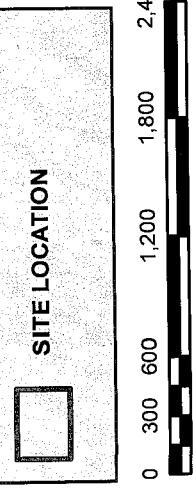


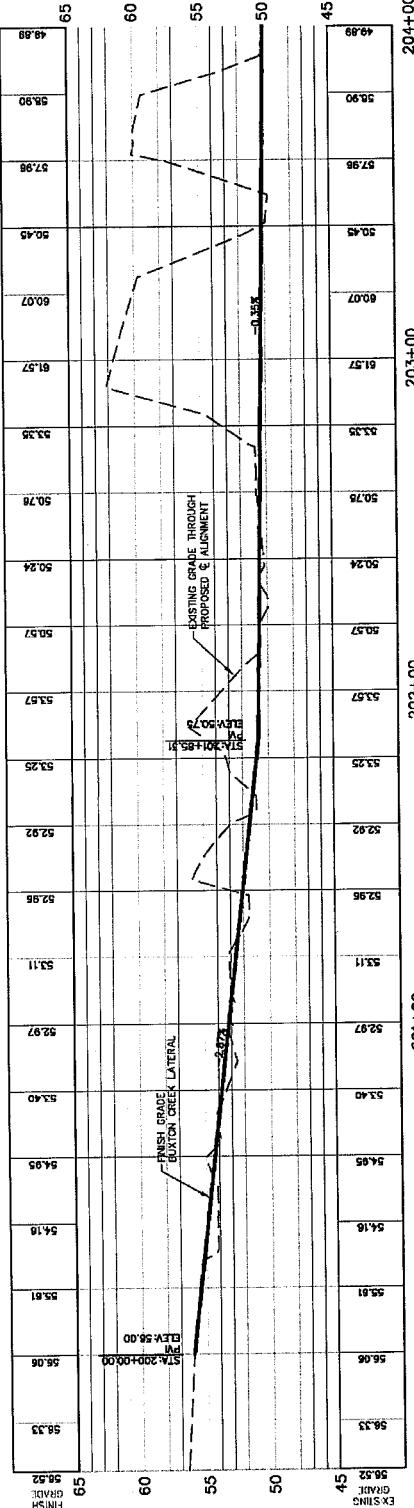
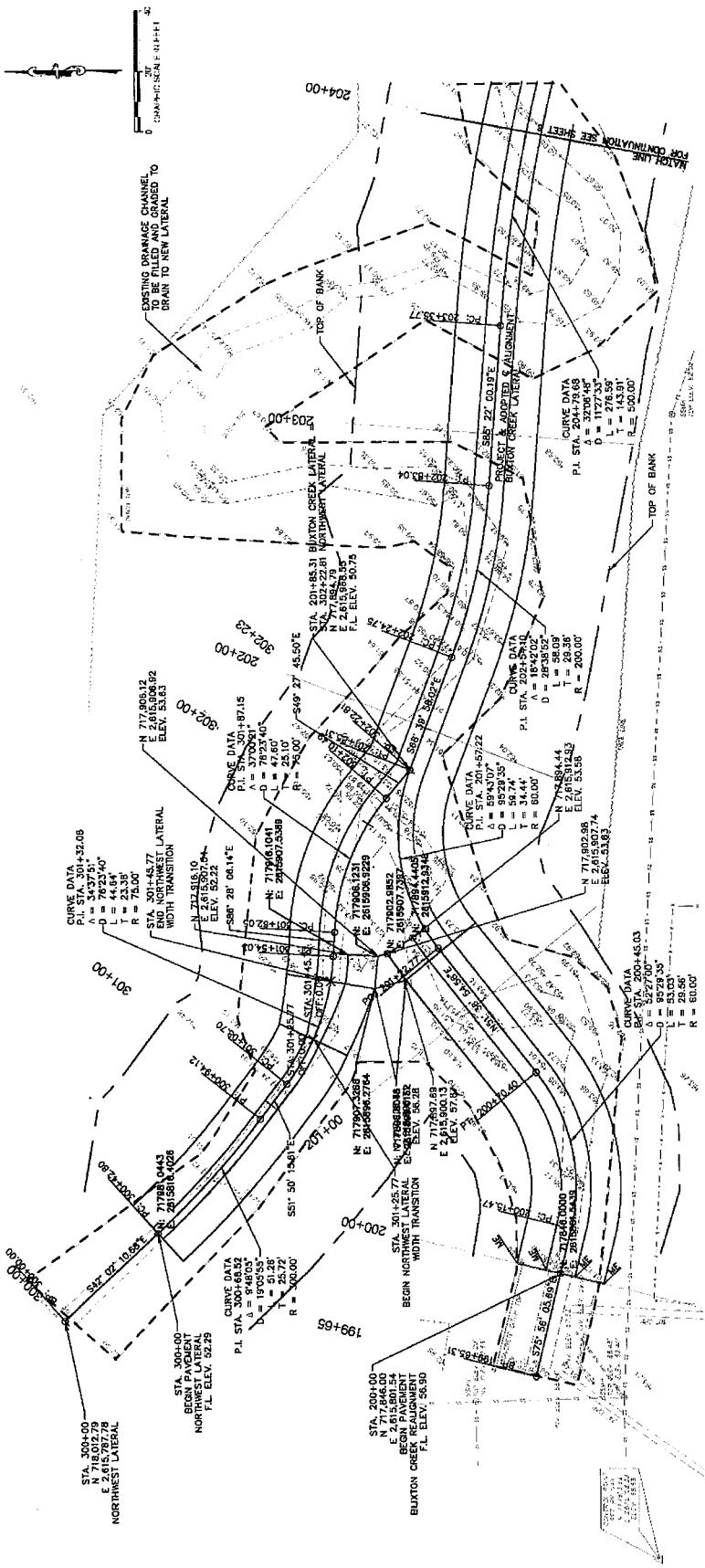
**FIGURE 1 OF 10  
SITE LOCATION MAP  
PERMIT APPLICATION**

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SITE LOCATION

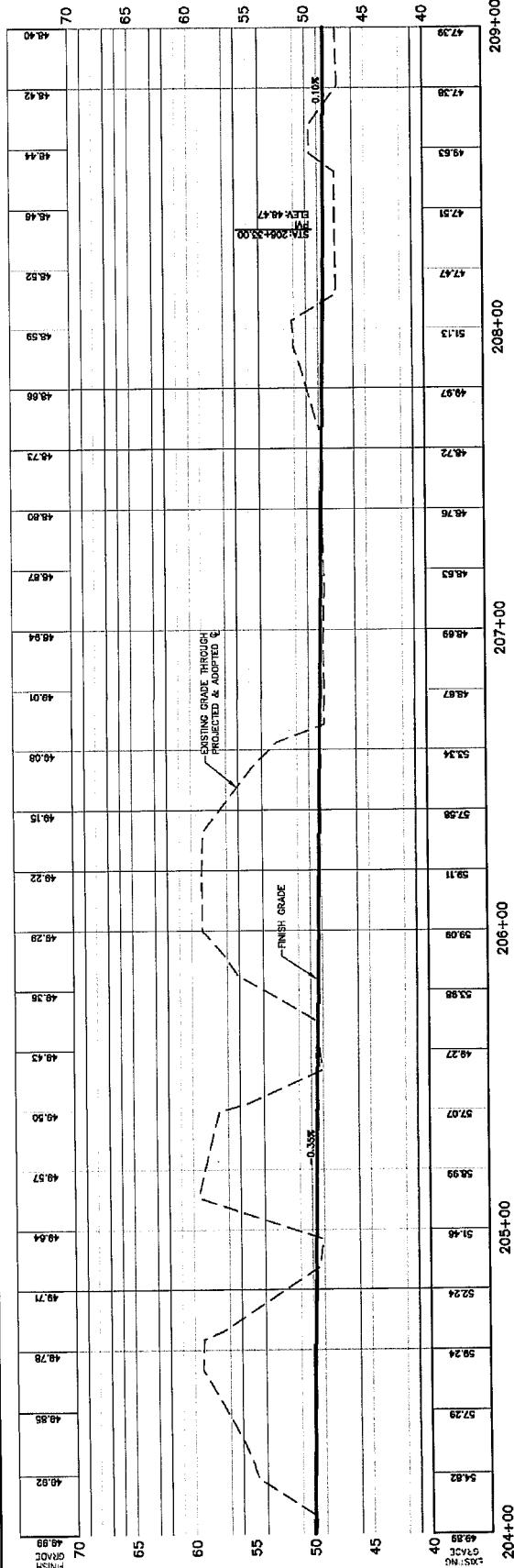
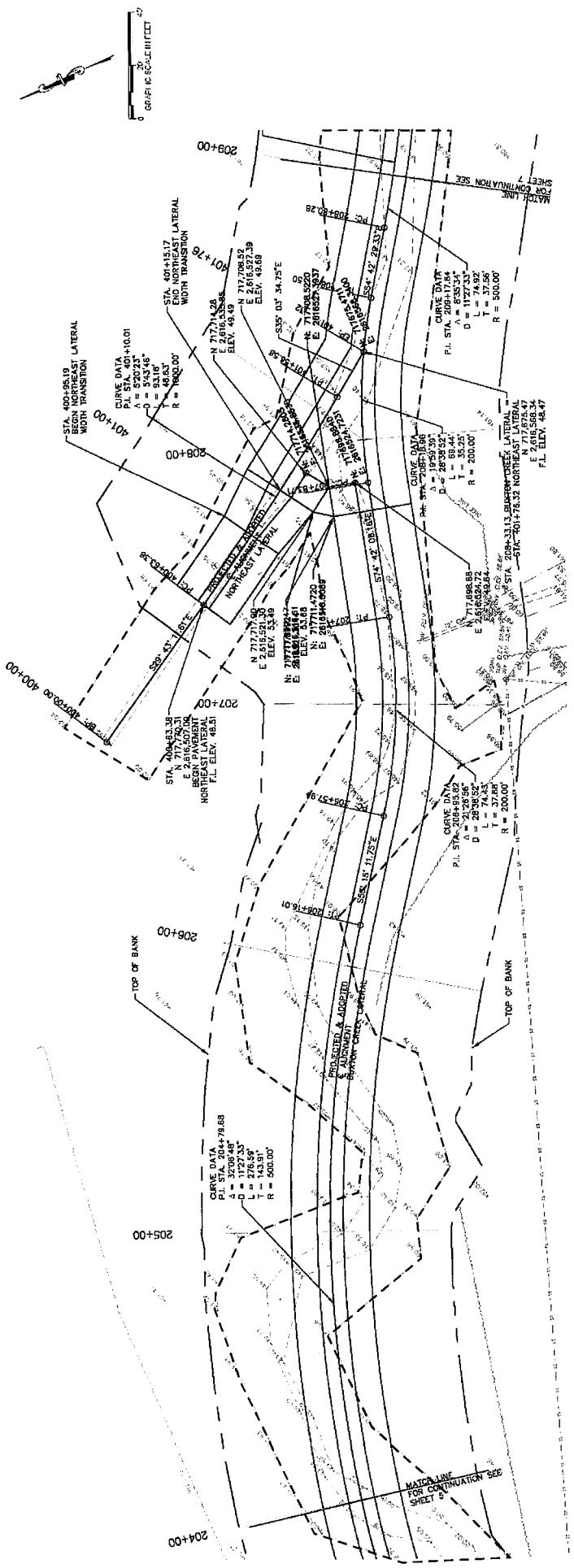




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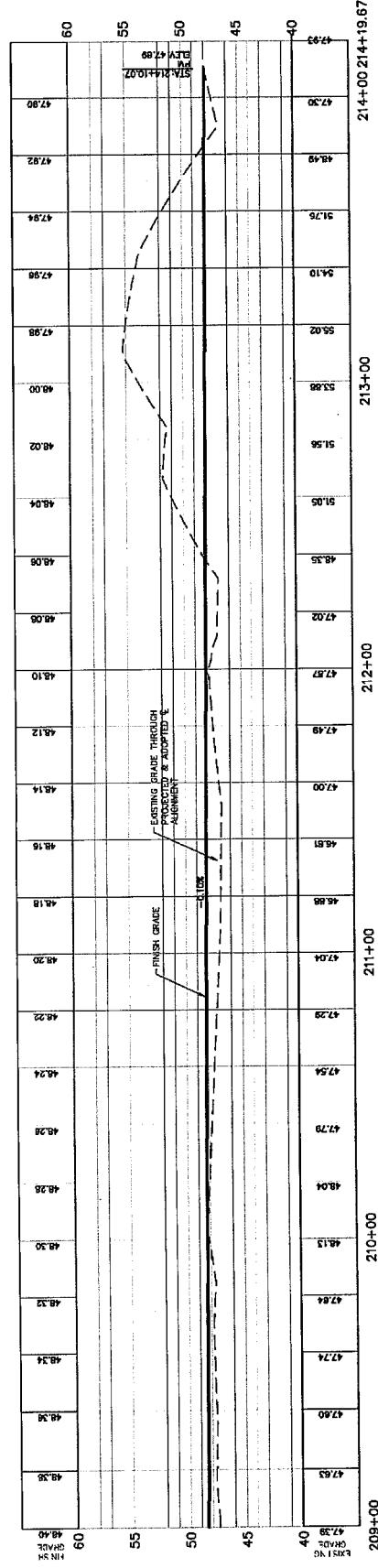
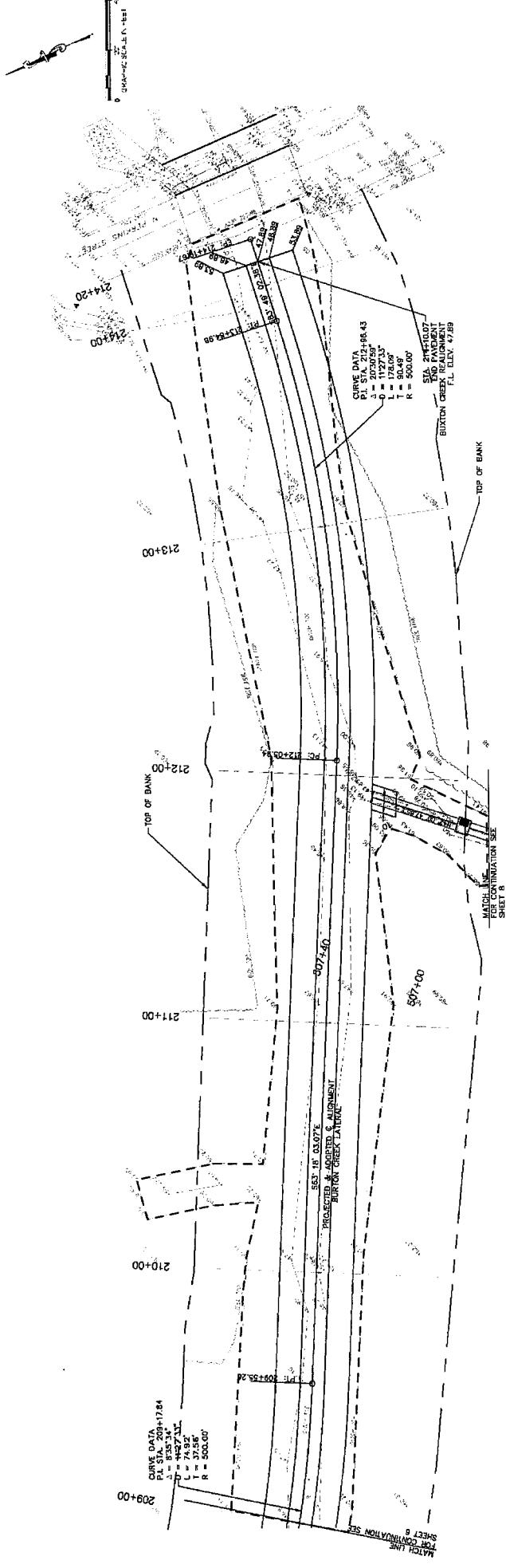
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<b>ARABIE ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS</b>	
<b>FIGURE 4 OF 10 PLAN AND PROFILE FERRAT APPLICATION BUXTON &amp; SONS INC. CALCASIEU PARISH, LOUISIANA</b>	
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ARABIE ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS	
FIGURE 5 OF 10	
PLAN AND PROFILE	
PRESENT APPLICATION CITY OF READING BUXTON GREEK IMPROVEMENTS CLARKSBURG PARISH LOUISIANA	
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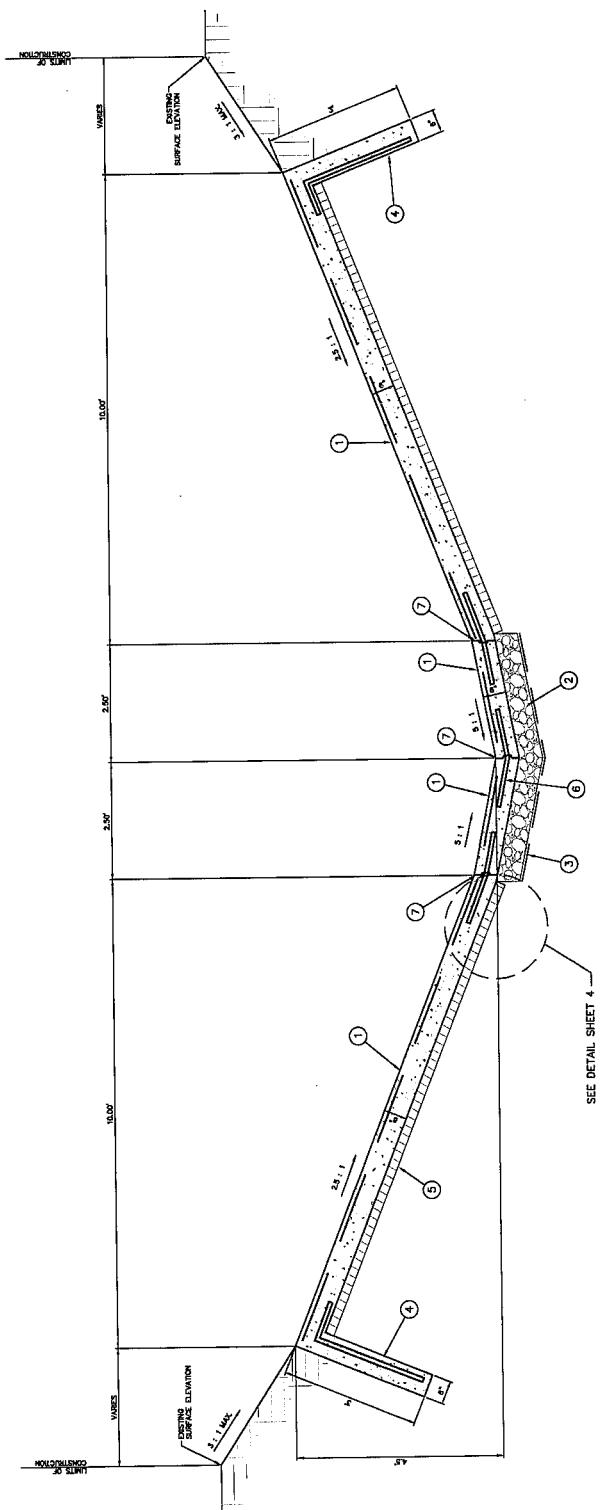


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ARABIE ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS FIGURE 6 OF 10  
PERMIT APPLICATION  
CITY OF BURNTON  
BUREAU OF ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTS  
CAT CASSENBURG, LOUISIANA  
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TELEVISION ENTERTAINMENT

**APPLIES TO:** STA. 300+43 TO STA. 301+26  
STA. 400+63 TO STA. 400+96

KEYED NOTES

- ① REQ'D. 6" THICK CONCRETE REVETMENT (PAY ITEM 712-01-C)

② REQ'D. 6" THICK BEDDING (STONE) (PAY ITEM 726-01)

③ REQ'D. NON-WOVEN GEOTEXTILE FILTER FABRIC (INCLUDED UNDER PAY ITEM S-001)

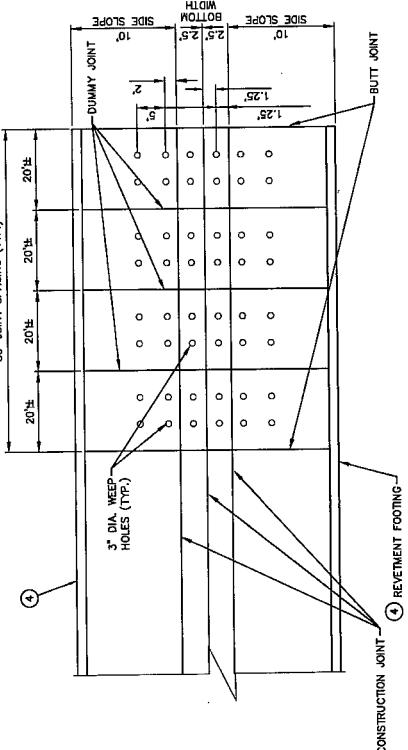
④ REQ'D. CONCRETE REVETMENT FOOTING (INCLUDED UNDER PAY ITEM S-001)

⑤ REQ'D. GEOTEXTILE COMPOSITE (INCLUDED UNDER PAY ITEM 712-01-C)

⑥ REQ'D. #4 DEF. DOWEL @ 2' CENTERS.

⑦ REQ'D. CONSTRUCTION JOINT. SEE SHEET 4 FOR DETAILS.

⑧ REQ'D. 6"X6" W4X24 WELDED WIRE FABRIC

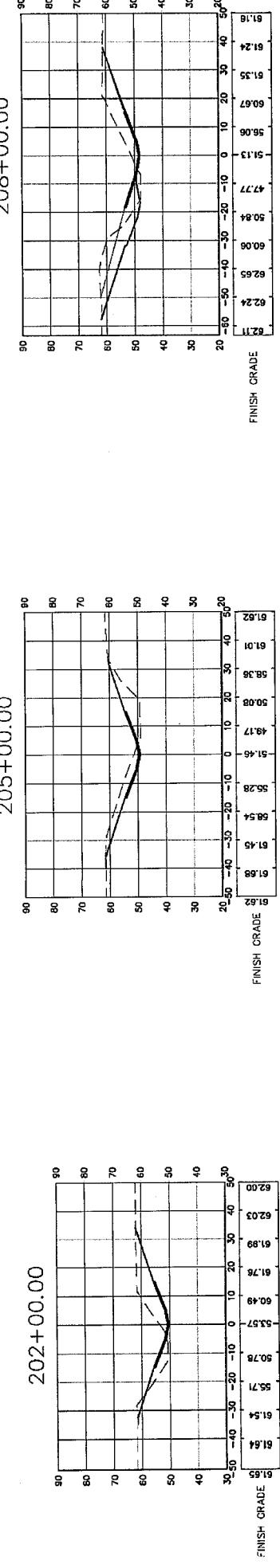
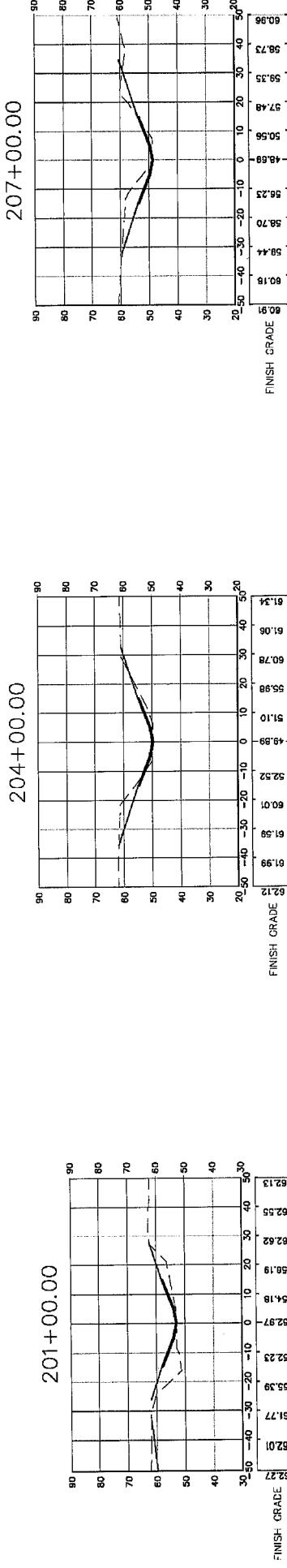
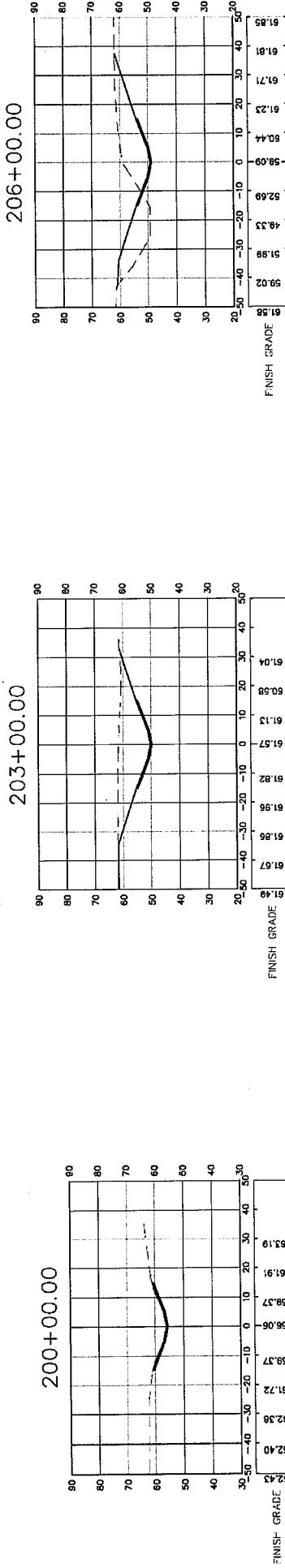


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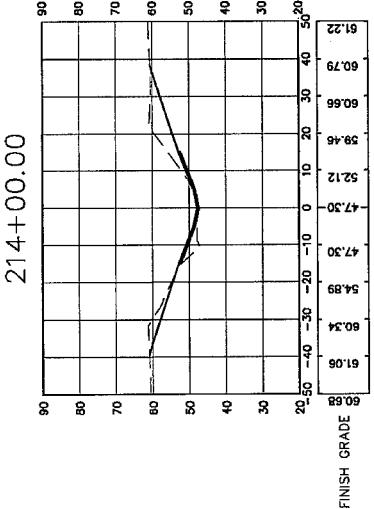
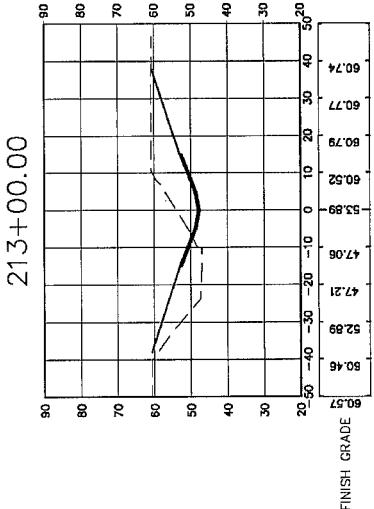
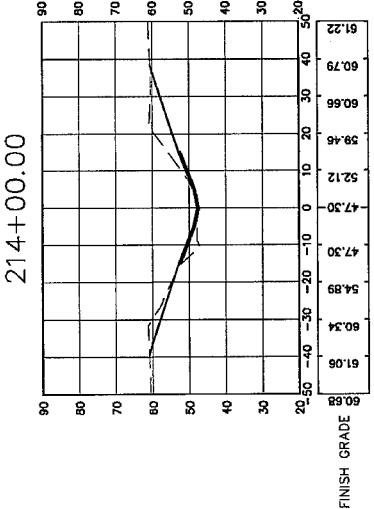
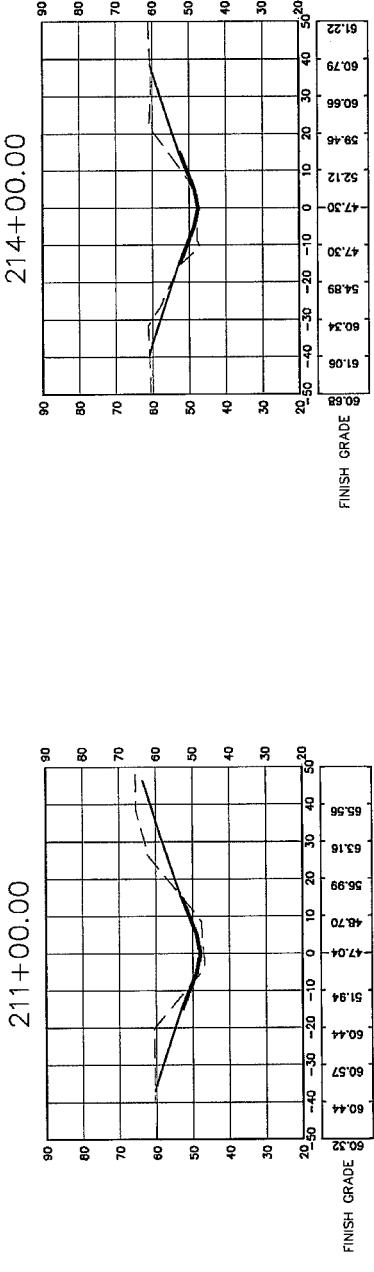
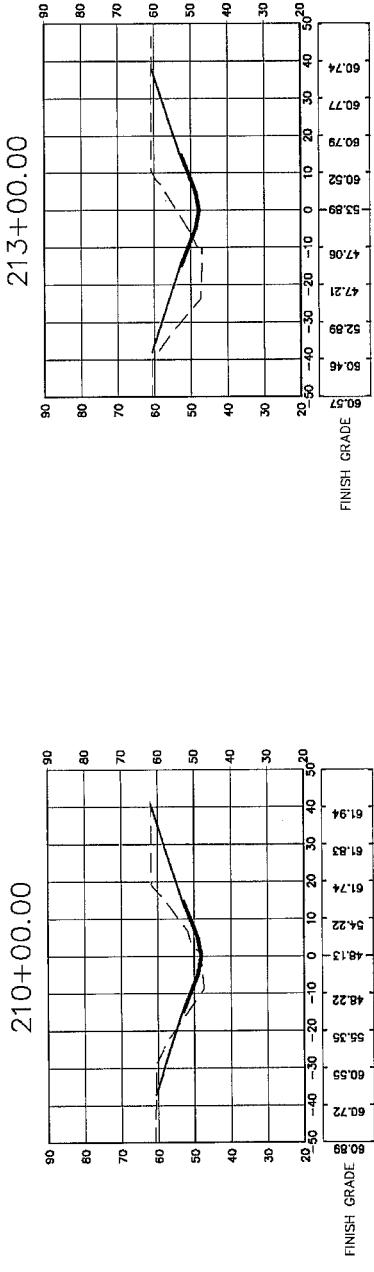
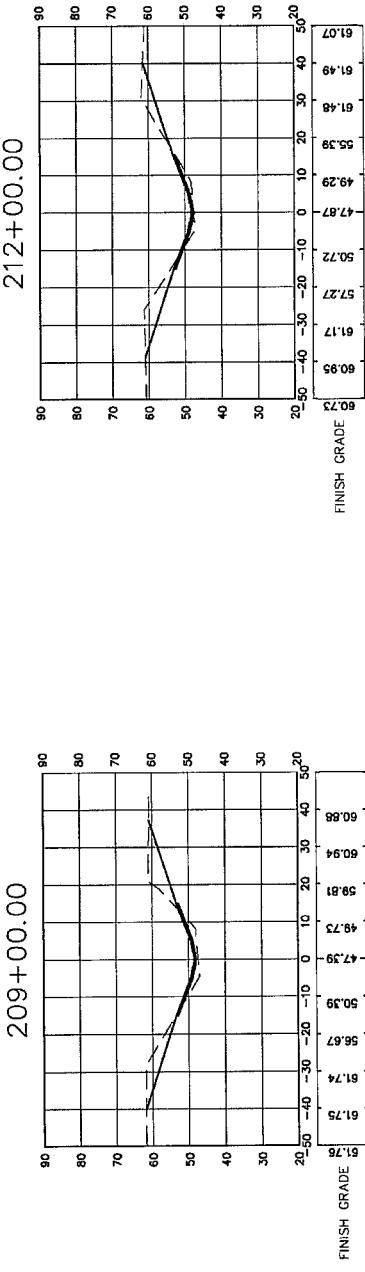
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**ARABIC ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS FIGURE 3 OF 10  
TYPICAL SECTION (TRIBUTARY LATERALS)**

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<b>FIGURE 7 OF 10</b>	
<b>GROSS SECTION S</b>	
TERM FACILITY	
BUTTON CREEK IMPROVEMENTS	
CALCASIE PARSIS COURSES	
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CROSS SECTIONS  
FIGURE 8 OF 10  
PERMIT APPLICATION  
CITY OF REDDING  
BUTTE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
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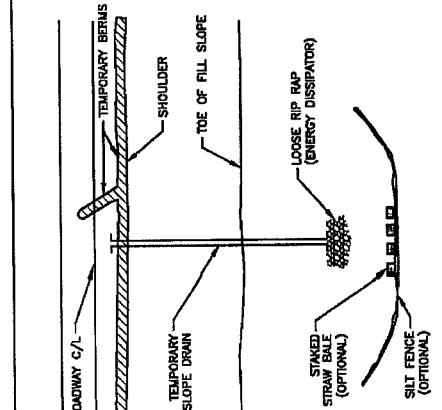
### TEMPORARY STONE CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE

#### NOTES:

TEMPORARY STONE CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE AND/OR WASH RACK

A STONE STABILIZED PAD LOCATED AT POINTS OF VEHICULAR INGRESS AND EGRESS ON THE CONSTRUCTION SITE TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF MUD TRANSPORTED ONTO PUBLIC ROADS. IF THE ACTION OF THE VEHICLE TRAVELING OVER THE GRAVEL PAD IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO REMOVE THE MAINTENANCE OF THE PAD, THEN THE TIRES MUST BE WASHED BEFORE THE VEHICLE ENTERS A PUBLIC ROAD. A FEW BASIC DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THE USE OF A STONE CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE AND/OR WASH RACK ARE:

1. THE STONE LAYER MUST BE AT LEAST 6 INCHES THICK;
2. THE STONE SHALL CONFORM TO SECTION 711(62)(CLASS 21B) OF THE LA DOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATION;
3. THE LENGTH OF THE PAD MUST BE AT LEAST 75 FEET AND IT MUST EXTEND THE FULL WIDTH OF THE VEHICULAR INGRESS AND EGRESS;
4. A GEOTEXTILE FABRIC UNDERLAYER IS REQUIRED. THE GEOTEXTILE FABRIC SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1019 (TYPE D) OF THE LA DOTD STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS;
5. IF A WASH RACK IS NECESSARY, PROVISIONS MUST BE MADE TO INTERCEPT THE WASH WATER AND TRAP THE SEDIMENT BEFORE IT IS CARRIED OFF SITE.



#### PLAN VIEW

#### NOTES:

A TEMPORARY SLOPE DRAIN IS A DEVICE USED TO CARRY WATER FROM THE CONSTRUCTION WORK AREA TO A LOWER ELEVATION. SLOPE DRAINS CAN BE PLASTIC SHEETS, NEW OR PLASTIC PRE-STRETCHED, STONE CUTTERS, FIBER MATS, OR ASPHALT UTILITY. A FEW BASIC DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR THE USE OF A TEMPORARY SLOPE DRAIN ARE:

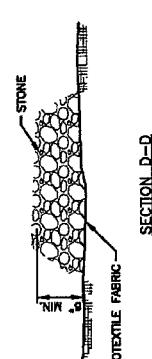
1. THE SPACING OF THE SLOPE DRAINS VARIES WITH THE ROAD GRADE.

FOR GRADES:  
0.0% - 2.0% USE 50' SPACING  
2.1% - 5.0% USE 200' SPACING  
GREATER THAN 5.0% USE 100' SPACING

2. SLOPE DRAIN MATERIAL:

CORRUGATED PIPE - 12" MINIMUM  
PLASTIC SHEETING - 4' WIDE MINIMUM  
PLASTIC SHEETING - 3 MILS THICK MINIMUM

3. PLASTIC SHEETING CAN BE SHAPED TO FIT DOWN AN ACCELERATE CHANNEL.
4. THE OUTLET END SHOULD BE PROTECTED OR HAVE SOME MEANS OF DISSIPATING ENERGY. THE FLOW SHOULD BE DIRECTED THROUGH A SEDIMENT TRAP SUCH AS A SILT FENCE OR HAY BALES;
5. TO INSURE PROPER OPERATION, TEMPORARY SLOPE DRAINS SHOULD BE INSPECTED REGULARLY AND AFTER EACH STORM FOR CLOSING OR DISPLACEMENT. EROSION AT THE OUTLET SHOULD BE CHECKED AND THE SILT TRAPS CLEANED IF NECESSARY.



#### SECTION D-D

1. SET POSTS AND EXCAVATE A 4' X 4' TRENCH UPSLOPE ALONG THE LINE OF POSTS.

STONE  
GEOTEXTILE FABRIC

5' TO 10' (WIRE SUPPORTED)  
5' TO 10' (SETE SUPPORTED)

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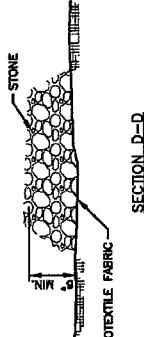
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#### SECTION D-D

1. ATTACH THE FILTER FABRIC TO THE WIRE FENCE AND EXTEND IT INTO THE TRENCH.

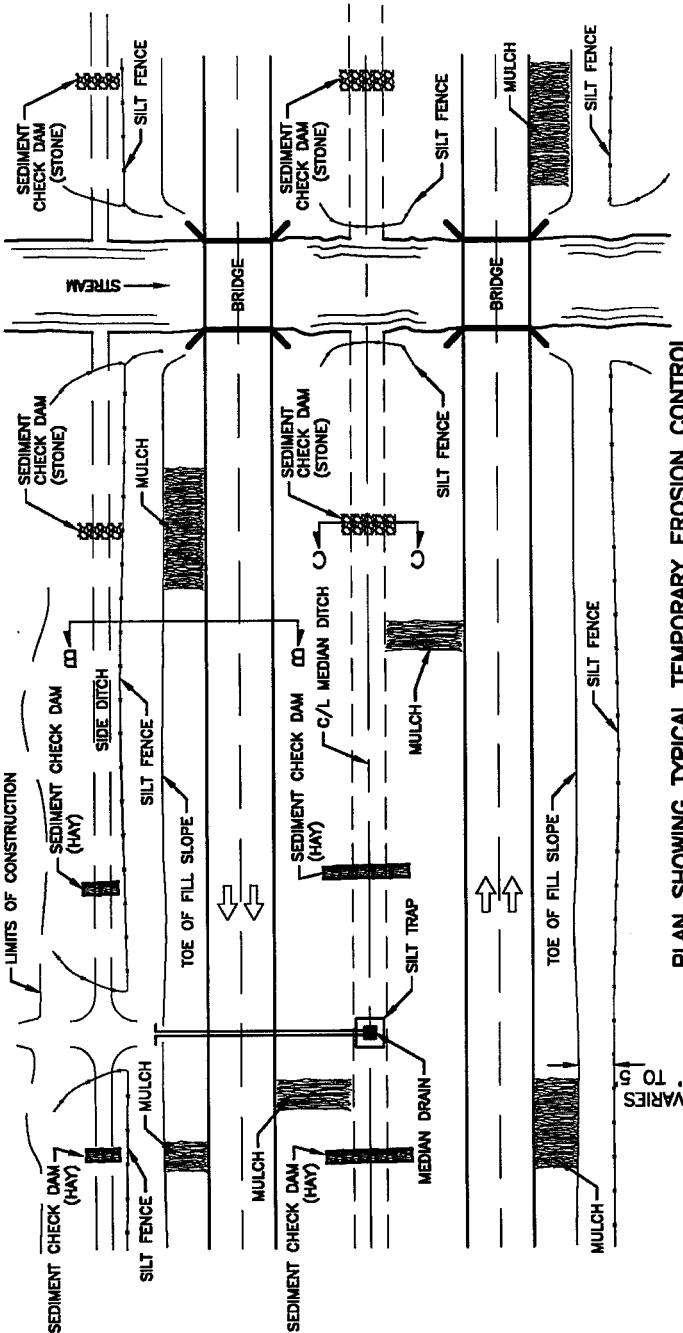
FLOW

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**PLAN SHOWING TYPICAL TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL**

MUCHES

MULCHES ARE THE APPLICATION OF MATS OF MATERIAL PLACED ON THE SOIL SURFACE TO PREVENT EROSION BY PROTECTING THE SOIL SURFACE FROM RAINDROP IMPACT AND TO REDUCE THE VELOCITY OF OVERLAND FLOW. MULCHES SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 1016.19 OF THE I.A. DOTT STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS. A FEW GUIDELINES THE USE OF MULCHES ARE:

1. USE ON CUT AND EMBANKMENT SLOPES WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETED TO PLAN GRADE OR WHERE THE WEATHER OR SOIL CONDITIONS WILL NOT PERMIT COMPETING THEM WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME;
  2. USE ON CLEARED, GRUBBED AND SCALPED AREAS WHERE SOIL EROSION IS LIKELY TO OCCUR;

## **TEMPORARY SEDIMENT CHECK-DAM (STONE)**

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**1. USE IN SMALL OPEN CHANNELS THAT DRAIN 10 ACRES OR LESS;**

**2. DO NOT USE IN A LIVE STREAM;**

**3. USE IN A TEMPORARY DITCH OR SWALE WHICH, BECAUSE OF THEIR SHORT LENGTH OF SERVICE, CAN NOT RECEIVE A NON-PERMANENT LINING;**

**4. USE IN PERMANENT DITCHES OR SWALES WHICH WILL NOT RECEIVE A PERMANENT LINING FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME;**

**5. USE IN TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT DITCHES OR SWALES WHICH NEED PROTECTION DURING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF GRASS LININGS;**

## TEMPORARY SILT FENCE APPLICATION

(END CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS SEE DETAILS)

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**FIGURE 10 OF 10**  
**TYPICAL BMP'S**  
 PERMIT APPLICATION  
 CITY OF DEQUINCY  
 ALIXTON CREEK IMPROVEMENT

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